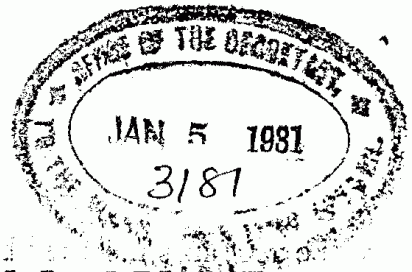

COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Friday, the *15th of August 1930.*
31st of Karkadagam 1105.

The House met at Half past Eleven of the Clock with the President in the Chair. Messrs. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar and K. T. Mathew were absent.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Canal Jetty at Cochin.

161. Mr. K. Mohamed Seethi.—(a) Will the Government be pleased to say whether there is a rule that the service motor boats touching Cochin can touch only the canal jetty;

(b) who maintains this jetty;

(c) whether the Mattancheri Municipality is realising any amount from the boat owners through their contractors for such touching;

(d) whether the P. W. D. raised any objections to the claims of the Municipality in this respect;

(e) whether the boat owners raised similar objections;

(f) whether the Government will kindly place on the table the important papers in the correspondence on the subject;

(g) how the Government disposed of the matter?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b) Public Works Department.

(c) Landing place contractors collect landing fees from boat owners.

(d) Yes.

(e) The Public Relief Boat Company have raised objections.

(f) Government regret that the papers cannot be placed before the Council at this stage.

(g) The matter is under consideration.

Defalcation in the Stamp Office.

162. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the name of the officer who defalcated money from the Stamp Superintendent's Office recently and the total amount defalcated;

(b) the number of times he defalcated and the names of Superintendents in whose times such defalcations took place;

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(c) the officer who detected the defalcation;
(d) the date of each defalcation;
(e) when were the accounts inspected by the Comptroller's Office last;
(f) whether any such action by the same officer was on a previous occasion detected and excused; if so, by whom and when?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) N. P. Rama Ayyar. The total amount of defalcation can be fixed only after orders are passed on the explanation called for from the officers concerned and the audit report of the Comptroller of Accounts.
(b), (c) and (d). Vide the latter part of the answer to (a).
(e) This was not subject to local audit.
(f) No record showing any previous defalcation is forthcoming?

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—With reference to the answer to sub-division (a), when were explanations called for from these officers?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—About five months ago.

In-patients in the Central Jail and their diseases.

163. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—
(a) (i) the names of the in-patients in the Central Jail, Trichur;
(ii) the names of those who are suffering from neuritis, and
(iii) the duration of the disease of each;
(b) (i) whether the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer wrote in the Visitor's book regarding these in-patients;
(ii) if so, what did he write;
(c) (i) whether the Medical Officer in charge of the Jail Hospital and the Superintendent of Jail made any report to the Diwan regarding this;
(ii) if so, what was their report;
(iii) what were the final orders passed by the Diwan;
(d) what is the financial position of each of these patients?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—
(a) (i)
1. Shaikannan.
2. Vareed.
3. Suppayyan.
4. Devassy.
5. Mufugan.
6. Raman.
7. Kesavan.
8. Piely.

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